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STATEMENT BY GEORGE V. LAUDER
TO BERNIE GWERTZMAN
NEW YORK TIMES
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Mr. Casey has no recollection of assuring Secretary Shultz last May that the US was not sending arms to Iran. Moreover, Agency records do not reveal any such discussion. Secretary Shultz appears to be mistaken.

STATEMENT BY DCI TO NBC NEWS FOLLOWING TESTIMONY BEFORE
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, 8 December 1986

I regret that some, notably Senator Lugar, have been reckless in charging or implying illegalities or improprieties in CIA support to the President's Iranian initiative. These allegations are irresponsible and false.

I am deeply disappointed that a U.S. Senator of Dick Lugar's stature and reputation has seen fit to rush to judgment without the benefit of the information which I and other CIA officers are making available to our oversight committees. I am confident that those members who do have access to it will agree that the Agency and I have acted in a lawful and proper manner.

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Re THE WASHINGTON POST story today on the alleged Agency misuse of funds on the Iranian program:

"The only funds related to the Iranian program that passed through Agency hands were the \$12 million owed to the Pentagon for arms. The funds received from the Iranians were segregated when received and were passed on promptly to the Pentagon. The Agency received no profits from any activities with the Iranians, nor were any funds which passed through Agency hands from the Iranians diverted to the contras or any other covert action programs."